# Alaska Local and Regional Information Workforce Info

## **Talkeetna**

Talkeetna is an unincorporated CDP located at the junction of the Talkeetna and Susitna Rivers, about 115 miles north of Anchorage. It is a staging area for Mount McKinley climbers and take-off point for fishing and flightseeing trips. Talkeetna is part of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.

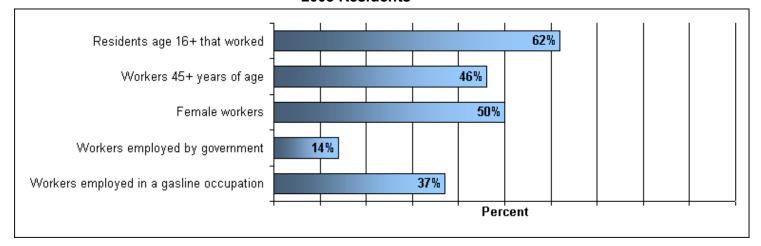
- ◆ The estimated population for 2008 was 857, a gain of about 85 since the 2000 Census.
- ♦ About 62 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- Trade, Transportation and Utilities was the main industry in 2008, employing 34 percent of the area's workers.
- ♦ More workers were employed as Retail Salespersons than any other occupation.

Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents only. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

	Talkeetna Reside	nt Snapshot (2008)	
Working Age Residents		Wages	
Residents age 16+	764	Total wages	\$12,700,469
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector	
Total	470	Private	406
Male	236	State government	21
Female	233	Local government	43
Age 45+	215	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers	
Age 50+	150	Peak (2nd) quarter workers	428
		Percent working all 4 quarters	55.7%
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupa	tion Experience (2004-2008)
UI Claimants	135	Some construction	83
		At least 1 year construction	45
New Hires		At least 2 years construction	25
New hires	191	Worked in an AGIA occupation	355

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### 2008 Residents

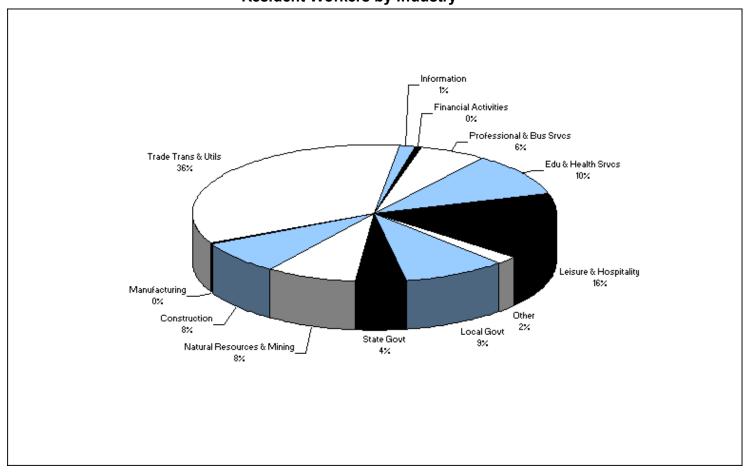


### **Top Occupations**

	Number			
	employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Retail Salespersons	23	77.3%	9	6
Office Clerks, General AGIA	15	86.7%	4	3
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators AGIA HOT JOB	15	0.0%	10	8
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education	14	78.6%	10	7
Cashiers	14	64.3%	8	5
Waiters and Waitresses	14	85.7%	8	3
Customer Service Representatives	12	58.3%	3	1
Bartenders	11	90.9%	2	1
Construction Laborers AGIA HOT JOB	11	9.1%	2	0
Commercial Pilots HOT JOB	10	10.0%	5	5
Cooks, Restaurant AGIA	10	30.0%	2	2
Teachers and Instructors, All Other	10	70.0%	6	6
General and Operations Managers	10	70.0%	4	3
Receptionists and Information Clerks AGIA	10	90.0%	6	5
Tour Guides and Escorts	9	22.2%	1	0
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners AGIA	9	66.7%	3	2
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners AGIA	8	25.0%	4	3
Roustabouts, Oil and Gas	7	0.0%	1	1
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General AGIA	7	0.0%	7	6
Medical Assistants	7	100.0%	5	4
Sales and Related Workers, All Other	7	71.4%	2	2

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## **Resident Workers by Industry**



### Workers by Industry

	Number		A 45.	A 50.
	employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Natural Resources and Mining	38	18.4%	18	10
Construction	36	8.3%	14	8
Manufacturing	*	*	*	*
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	162	49.7%	64	48
Information	7	71.4%	4	3
Financial Activities	*	*	*	*
Professional and Business Services	28	50.0%	13	9
Educational and Health Services	48	83.3%	28	19
Leisure and Hospitality	74	55.4%	27	18
State Government	21	9.5%	11	6
Local Government	43	76.7%	30	24
Other	9	66.7%	4	4
Unknown	*	*	*	*

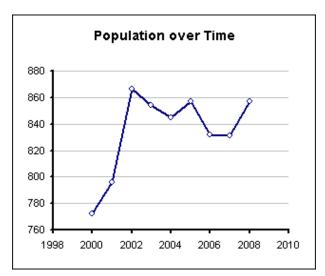
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Recent Unemployment Statistics				
	09/2009	10/2009	11/2009	12/2009
UI Claimants**	72	132	151	158

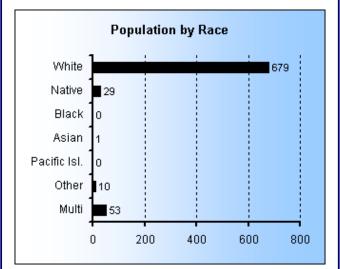
<sup>\*\*</sup>UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

#### Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

Ciri Alaska Tourism Corp
Mat Su Borough Schools
Sunshine Community Health CTR
Latitude 62 LLC
Mahays Riverboat Svc Inc
Old Talkeentna Roadhouse LLC
Talkeetna Air Taxi Inc
K2 Aviation
AK Railroad Corp
Veco Alaska Inc
Nagley Store



2000 Census			
Median Age	39		
Average Family Size	2.9		
Average Household Size	2.2		
Per Capita Income	\$23,695		
Median Family Income	\$46,818		
Median Household Income	\$38,289		



(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

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